

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Original) Process for the production of a composition for screening solar radiation which comprises a transparent polymer incorporating an interference pigment comprising a platelet shaped material, which process comprises the steps of incorporating the interference pigment into the polymer, and then stretching the resultant polymer in at least one direction to at least twice its original length in that direction.

2. (Original) Process according to claim 1, wherein following stretching the polymer is converted into a woven net of tapes or monofilaments.

3. (Currently amended) Composition for screening solar radiation, which comprises

a transparent polymer having incorporated therein **[[a]]** an interference pigment comprising a platelet shaped material,

wherein the polymer has been stretched in at least one direction to at least twice its original length in that direction after incorporation of the pigment coating.

4. (Currently amended) ~~Process or composition according to any preceding claim 1,~~ wherein the degree of stretching of the polymer is at least 4 times its original length, ~~preferably from 6 to 10 times.~~

5. (Currently amended) Composition for screening solar radiation, which comprises

a transparent polymer having incorporated therein ~~[[a]]~~ an interference pigment comprising a platelet shaped material,

wherein the polymer has a thickness of less than 50µm.

6. (Currently amended) ~~Composition according to any one of claims 3- to claim~~ 5, wherein the polymer is in the form of a woven net of tapes or monofilaments.

7. (Currently amended) ~~Process or composition according to any preceding claim~~ 1, wherein the ~~[[green]]~~ interference pigment comprises a layered silicate, synthetic mica, glass platelets, ceramic platelets or silica platelets.

8. (Currently amended) ~~Process or composition according to~~ claim 7, wherein the layered silicate is mica, pyrophyllite, sericite, talc or kaolin.

9. (Currently amended) ~~Process or composition according to any preceding claim~~ 1, wherein after stretching the polymer has a thickness of less than 30µm.

10. (New) Process according to claim 4, wherein the degree of stretching is from 6 to 10 times.

11. (New) Composition according to claim 3, wherein the degree of stretching of the polymer is at least 4 times its original length.

12. (New) Composition according to claim 11, wherein the degree of stretching is from 6 to 10 times.

13. (New) Composition according to claim 3, wherein the polymer is in the form of a woven net of tapes or monofilaments.

14. (New) Composition according to claim 3, wherein the interference pigment comprises a layered silicate, synthetic mica, glass platelets, ceramic platelets or silica platelets.

15. (New) Composition according to claim 14 wherein the layered silicate is mica, pyrophyllite, sericite, talc or kaolin.

16. (New) Composition according to claim 3, wherein after stretching the polymer has a thickness of less than 30 μ m.

17. (New) Composition according to claim 5, wherein the interference pigment comprises a layered silicate, synthetic mica, glass platelets, ceramic platelets or silica platelets.

18. (New) Composition according to claim 17, wherein the layered silicate is mica, pyrophyllite, sericite, talc or kaolin.

19. (New) Composition according to claim 5, wherein after stretching the polymer has a thickness of less than 30 μ m.